Report of Accomplishments

Fiscal Year 2005

Yellowstone Soil Conservation District

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Counties Served Fremont Legislative District(s) 34, 35



Function

Our Vision...to provide responsible care for Fremont County's natural resources.

Natural Resource Improvements Summary

- A total of 26 cooperators participated in the Ashton Groundwater Protection Project aimed at reducing nitrates in the groundwater through soil testing and following University of Idaho guidelines for chemical application. 15,000 acres are included in the project.
- Assisted 69 landowners in NRCS Conservation Security Program.
- Assisted 12 cooperators in NRCS EQIP projects.
- Assisted 12 cooperators in NRCS FRP projects.
- Assisted Fremont County and Harriman State Park with Technical support and assistant for riprap and fencing projects, respectively.

Henry's Lake Shoreline Restoration



Conservation District Priority #1 - Water Quality

- To meet the requirements of Idaho Water Quality Law and the Clean Water Act, the YSCD will work in conjunction with IASCD, NRCS, ISCC, WAGs and land occupiers and local/state/federal agencies.
- To reduce nitrates in drinking water in and around the Ashton area by continued financial assistance for soil testing and operator assistance. Parlay project results to public and governmental agencies.

Conservation District Priority #2 – Soil Erosion

• Reduce erosion on one mile of riparian area or shoreline annually. In 2005 project included a fencing project which protects over 75 acres of shoreline

Conservation District Priority #3 – District Operations

- Provide continued technical and financial assistance to cooperators participating in various conservation projects, i.e. continuation of Ashton Groundwater Protection Project, fencing of wetlands area at Harriman State Park and riprap project on Henry's Fork through Fremont County.
- Held two local conservation working group meetings to inform cooperators of available conservation projects and funding opportunities.
- Provided fertilizer recommendations to over 30 cooperators.

Information & Education/ Public Outreach

- Coordinated and conducted field trips based on water conservation to over 800 elementary students and special interest groups.
- Provided groundwater presentations to over 200 junior high students.
- Prepared news articles for regional medial regarding the various conservation issues and programs.
- Prepared and mailed fact sheets regarding soil testing to over 300 cooperators.
- Provided direct mailings regarding various conservation programs.

Community Collaboration & Coordination

- Attended meetings of the Henry's Lake Watershed Council
- Provided written comment regarding various land use proposals, etc.
- Assisted USDA Forest Service, Fremont County and surrounding communities with technical assistance regarding water quality project.
- Assist with Fremont County Fair and 4-H Day.

Synopsis of Assistance Coordinated for Constituents with Conservation Partners - to plan, design and implement best management practices to protect, enhance, and conserve Idaho's renewable natural resources.

Source	Purpose/Benefit	Funded Amount	
Fremont County	District Operations	\$	7,400.00
State of Idaho	District Operations	\$	13,708.55
WQPA	Best Management Practices	\$	17,635.00
IASCD/NRCS	Farm Bill Assistance	\$	7,000.00
319	Water Quality/AGPP	\$	21,805.00
Ducks Unlimited	Streambank Protection	\$	15,000.00
Ducks Unlimited	Wetland Protection	\$	5,000.00
USDA Farm Programs	Conservation	\$	2,591,651.00

Idaho Conservation Districts assisting landowners & operators with their conservation choices



Teaching future conservationist's how to Build a Better Back Yard